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RELIABLE GROCERS.

**In Probate Court.**—Judge Trenchard, sitting for probate matters yesterday, made the following orders: In the estate of John Thomas, deceased, approving final account of executor and discharging that officer. In the estate of L. E. Larson, deceased, extending the time for filing inventory in said estate for a period of ninety days.

**Realty Movements.**—The following six instruments were filed for record with County Clerk Clinton, yesterday: The Columbia Harbor Land Company to Rosalie L. R. Smith, warranty, consideration \$350, conveying lot 8, block 32 in Warrenton Park. Victor Rodas and wife to The Tongue Point Lumber Company, warranty, consideration \$300, conveying lot 2, block 21, Alderbrook. The United States to Michael Kelley, patent, conveying the south half of northwest quarter of section 17, T. 61 N., R. 5 W., T. O. Trullinger and wife to Ann E. Mack, warranty, consideration \$6500, conveying undivided half interest in lots 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, in block 6, Young's Addition to Alderbrook. The United States to Otto Grinde, patent, conveying the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 24; and the east half of southwest quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 13, T. 5 N., R. 9 W.

**Have Reached a Basis.**—The gentlemen charged with the arbitration of the value of the land which the Astoria Water Commission desires to purchase for the reservoir site, from Dr. A. E. Kinney and the Astoria Building & Loan Land Company, its joint owners, have reached a conclusion and filed a report in the premises. It is to the effect that the land, approximating twenty-three acres in extent, shall be paid for at the rate of \$1600, divided equally as between the aforesaid owners. This brings the acreage to the sum of \$70, an advance of ten dollars over the price heretofore offered by the Water Commission, and thirty dollars less than the sum asked for it by its holders. The arbitrators, Messrs. T. S. Cornelius, for the Water Commission, and Brenham Van Dusen for the Building & Loan Company and Dr. A. E. Kinney, have labored faithfully in the premises and have disposed of an invariably thankless task, with skill, and good faith to all concerned. The report was drawn and signed yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. It will take its official way through the city channels in due and regular course, and eventuate in the purchase of the property by the commission.

### FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

The steamer Rosecrans came down from Portland yesterday and went to sea almost immediately, San Francisco bound.

The steamer Arabia arrived in over the bar yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, twenty days from Hong Kong and Yokohama. Her master reports fair weather, but steady east winds clear across. The second officer of the ship is a very sick man and the hospital authorities of Portland were wired to make all preparations for his reception on the arrival of the vessel there. She proceeded on to the metropolis at 11 o'clock.

The steamer Oklahama came down the river yesterday afternoon with the schooner Carrier Dove in tow, lumber laden for San Francisco, and will take back with her the schooners Polaris and Schome.

The steamship Vermont left for the lower bay about noon yesterday, and went to sea on the afternoon flood.

The old Callender tug Eclipse was towed to Fort Stevens pier where her boilers will be taken out, and she will be turned over to Mr. Larsen for her future destiny as a fish scow.

The French bark General Neumayer went to Portland, on the havers of the Harvest Queen yesterday morning.

**ABERDEEN, Wash., March 27.**—The revenue cutter Perry, Captain Francis Tuttle, is in port on a tour of inspection. The papers of ships here will be examined.

### SPECIAL AT THE BEEHIVE

Bleached Turkish Towels... 16x24 for 10c  
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Unbleached Turkish Towels... 25x50 for 19c  
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The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

Pillsbury's Best Flour, Minneapolis, \$1.75 per sack. Geo. Lindstrom & Co.

# UNPRECEDENTED

Never was known such a Sale in Astoria before

## GOOD GOODS HAVE SIMPLY BEEN GIVEN AWAY

We are going to continue this

# Great Sale for 4 Days More

Positively Ending Saturday, March 31st

# C. H. COOPER'S

## GREAT UNPARALLELED SALE

### TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

**Homer Almstead Dies.**—Homer Almstead, aged 50 years, died yesterday at Cathlamet of dropsy. The interment will occur at Cathlamet.

**Infant Dies.**—Yesterday morning the six-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hansen died at the Central Hotel. The body will be taken to Portland for burial.

**Four Days More.**—at the request of our patrons, we have determined to continue our great clean up sale. Four days more greater bargains than ever will be given at C. H. Cooper's great sale.

**Receive Contract.**—The contract for the construction of one double set of non-commissioned officers' quarters at Fort Stevens, has been awarded to Ferguson & Huston, and work will be started immediately on the building.

**Asks Leave of Absence.**—Council L. O. Belland yesterday filed an application with the city auditor, for a leave of absence dating from April 15th to September 13th. Mr. Belland will go to Alaska to look after fishing interests.

**Issues Call.**—County Treasurer Heilburn has issued a call for all the county warrants issued prior to June 1, 1905. This call is the largest which has ever been made at one time and amounts to approximately \$50,000. Thirty thousand dollars of this amount were paid out yesterday by the county treasurer.

**Hotel Irving—European plan.** The only steam-heated hotel in Astoria; large and airy rooms; prices from 50 cents to \$1.50; well prepared and daintily served meals at 25 cents. Special rates per week or month for room and board to permanent guests. Our bus meets all trains and steamboats.

**May Donate Land.**—A letter has been received from A. B. Hammond in reply to an inquiry made of him a few days ago, as to whether he would be willing to donate a strip of land adjoining Shively park to the city as an addition to the park. The letter states that Mr. Hammond will probably accede to the request of the park commission, but that he first wants a plat made of the property which the city desires so as to gain a better idea of the situation. A sketch will be sent Mr. Hammond at once.

**Greater Bargains than ever will be given this week as we are determined to clear them out. Come and share them at C. H. Cooper's great sale.**

Baseball goods at Svenson's.

BEST FULL WEIGHT  
**CREAMERY BUTTER**  
65 CENTS PER ROLL

OLYMPIC AND SNOWDRIFT  
FLOUR, \$1.20 PER SACK; \$4.65 PER BARREL.

**JOHNSON BROS.**  
GOOD GOODS.  
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**For Citizenship.**—Conrad Anderson, a native of Norway, yesterday filed his declaration of intention to become a citizen of this country, with County Clerk Clinton, as provided by law.

**Time Expires Wednesday.**—One week from today the time in which candidates can file their petitions for the coming primary election will expire. Up to the present time all the positions on the Republican ticket have been filled by applicants, with the exception of the office of constable.

**Before you purchase that new Easter bonnet, make it a point to call and inspect the excellent line of hats now on display at Mrs. Ingleton's Millinery Store, Welch Block, opposite the Budget office on Commercial street.**

**Registration.**—About 1350 voters of the city and county have entered their names upon the registers of the county. The ratio of registration will have to increase materially if the full volume of voting strength of Astoria shall be in evidence on the 15th of the coming month.

**Buys Boat.**—The propeller boat Volga formerly owned by Joseph Supple has been purchased by Captain Babbidge, who intends to have the boat repaired and put in condition for use at Astoria. The boat which is 67 feet long and has a 16-foot beam, was hauled onto the ways yesterday at Supple's yard, and the work of repair will be commenced at once.

**Nothing Discovered.**—After making a tour of all the streams up the Columbia river as far as Bonneville, Deputy Fish Warden Webster and Deputy Fish Commissioner Burton have returned to this city and report that so far as they could learn there have been no infactions of the closed season law. The officers seized about 2000 yards of sturgeon gear and some set nets.

**Discovered Many articles** which it was impossible to display owing to the rush, have been resurrected and will be displayed this week at C. H. Cooper's great sale.

**Overruled the Judge.**—A carefully planned elopement which will surprise Oregon social circles, resulted in the wedding of Miss Mahala McBride, daughter of Judge and Mrs. McBride, of Oregon City, and Frank Newton, a young undertaker of the City-by-the-Falls. The fateful words were spoken at Vancouver, Wash., Friday, and the marriage leaked out Sunday. Judge and Mrs. McBride went to Astoria last Friday, and the blushing bride evidently took advantage of their absence. Miss McBride has been the guest of Mrs. Charles E. Runyon, at 252 1/2 Sixth street, Portland, for a few days, but yesterday morning left the residence, and has not been seen or heard from since by her hostess. The only witness to the ceremony was H. H. Samuel, a local commercial man. As far as can be learned, the couple contemplated a union of hearts for some time, and the wedding was the culmination of a pretty romance. By reason of the fact that Multnomah county is not included in the jurisdiction of the fifth judicial district, over which Judge McBride presides, the family made Oregon City their home. It was there Miss McBride met the man of her choice.

**A Good Riddance.**—At the persistent and urgent instance of Agent G. W. Roberts, of the O. R. & N. Company, in this city, the unsightly old junk-store, once used by the Ford & Stokes Company, on the north side of Commercial street, just east of the main entrance to the O. R. & N. piers, is being torn down and removed by the company. It was an eyesore to every Astorian and an affront to every visitor who entered the city, and its room will be infinitely more acceptable than its wretched and dilapidated presence. There are other hideous old shacks in Astoria whose owners would do the right things in destroying without any further loss of time. It is time such incongruities and disfigurements were removed from the otherwise pleasant thoroughfares of Astoria.

Inquire of the Elks about the event of the season—March 29.

### DASTARDLY TRADE

**Harris Wanted Girls for Rich Chinese.**

**WOULD SHIP THEM TO CHINA**

**Suspected Procurer Offered Girls Dance Hall Employment, Simply as Pretext to Kidnap Them for Shipment to Orient.**

That Charles Harris, the man arrested in Salem Sunday night, while persuading girls to accept an offer to come to this city for immoral purposes, is the agent for a concern that is shipping American girls to China and Japan and selling them into lives of slavery, is the assertion of the police. Members of the Salem police force who arrested Harris after they had heard him urging a girl to accept his offer and go to this city as a dance hall habitue, assert that a far darker motive was behind his purpose. They think that the Astoria story was a concoction, the easier to get girls to consent. The real purpose was to ship them across the seas. Astoria police officers are inclined to concur in the same views.

Harris is not known here and he has never had dealings with the Astoria police, at least under that name, though from the description given of the man, it is believed he was once a violin player in one of the local dance halls.

Harris claimed in Salem to be an agent for the Bijou dance hall in this city, but neither the proprietor of this or any other will acknowledge any connection with the man. His dealings with them cannot be traced.

If Harris is the man who played in the dance hall, he is also the man who shipped a number of girls to Japan several years ago. The girls were shipped to Tokio and there sold into slavery. The man who procured them in the United States was a Polish Jew, answering description of Harris.

This former escapade strengthens the belief that he had the same object in view now.

### Procurer Himself Reveals Plan.

Harris told a man with whom he talked Sunday, that he was after girls to ship to China and the Orient. The plan he outlined was to bring girls to Portland and place them aboard a vessel soon to sail for the Orient, under the deception that they were bound for Astoria. After being once aboard, however, the girls were to be imprisoned and prevented from escaping or making their condition known to the ship's officers till too late.

White girls are much sought after for the harems of wealthy Chinese, and for some of them fabulous prices are paid. The extraordinary inducements are supposed to have caused Harris to embark in the dastardly trade. In San Francisco some years ago, a similar gang was found to be working to the same end.

Harris registered at the Willamette Hotel in Salem Saturday as Ben Harris, of Portland. He stayed all night and

left Sunday morning. Later he returned and asked for the same room, this time registering as B. Harris, of Portland. As an excuse, he said that he had missed his train and would remain another day.

However, it is said, none of the Portland police or detectives remember ever having run across the man, and he is thought to have registered from Portland to throw suspicion off his movements.

Harris is a young man of medium stature, dark curly hair and apparently a Polish Jew. He says he has been in this city about two weeks, representing the Bijou dancing hall during that time.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

J. G. Megier was over from Brookfield, Wash., yesterday on business.

S. C. Kerr, Jr., came in from Portland on the 11:30 train yesterday.

J. G. McGrath, of St. Louis, was doing business in this city yesterday.

Captain Roder, of Skamokawa, came in on the steamer Jordan yesterday.

William Jennings, of Skamokawa, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

J. D. Edwards, a prominent timber man of Portland, is in the city on business.

P. J. McDonald, of Portland, was doing business on the streets of Astoria yesterday.

Mrs. M. Gorman, of Cathlamet, arrived in the city yesterday via the steamer Jordan.

W. H. Barker, of Vancouver, Wash., the well known canneryman, is in Astoria on business.

H. D. Wagon, of Portland, came in from the metropolis on the noon express yesterday.

S. W. Pearce, of San Francisco, came in on the noon train yesterday, and is domiciled at the Occident.

Anthony Klein, a prominent citizen of the Capital City, was a business sojourner in Astoria yesterday.

Mrs. F. I. Ellis, the agent of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company, at Seaside, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

For a good shave go to the Occident Barber Shop. Five chairs. No long waits.

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